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TO:

Chairman Klein

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

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CRC NO: 08-0456

DESC:

Fire Protection Regulations  
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REMARKS:

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**Addressee:** Chairman Klein

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AUTHOR: Katy Love  
AFFILIATION: MA  
ADDRESSEE: Dale Klein  
SUBJECT: Enforce critical fire protection regulations

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**Subject:** Enforce Critical Fire Protection Regulations

Chairman Dale E. Klein  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear NRC Commissioners,

In 1975, catastrophe was barely averted when fire erupted at the Browns Ferry nuclear plant. Today, 33 years later, the risk of a fire at a U.S. nuclear power plant remains unacceptably high--with potentially deadly consequences. I urge you to immediately and vigorously enforce the fire protection regulations adopted in 1980 that are being woefully ignored by plant operators and your agency.

As you well know, the industry's own risk assessment considers fire to be the greatest risk in a nuclear plant's operations.

Yet, not one of the nation's operating nuclear power plants is known to be in compliance with the 1980 regulations. It is disturbing that NRC and independent tests have found that the fire retardant material used to protect electrical cables (also known as cable wraps) most prevalently used in the nation's nuclear plants are deficient and fail within minutes of being exposed to fire, as opposed to the one-hour requirement.

Protecting the public is the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's primary responsibility and your agency's unwillingness to enforce its own regulations is simply unacceptable. A fire at a nuclear power plant could lead to a serious accident and a release of deadly radiation, potentially killing or injuring thousands of people.

It is your duty and responsibility to enforce the NRC fire protection regulations.

Sincerely,  
Katy Love  
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**AUTHOR:** Jeremy Thompson  
**AFFILIATION:** TX  
**ADDRESSEE:** Dale Klein  
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